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Sir:

The following remarks are submitted in response to the Official Action mailed May 22, 2003. Claims 1-17 are now active in this application.

The indication that claim 3-8 and 12-17 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims is acknowledged and appreciated.

REJECTION OF CLAIMS UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 102 AND § 103

Claims 1, 2 and 9-11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Joyce et al. (USPN 6,550,052).

The rejections are respectfully traversed.

The factual determination of lack of novelty under 35 U.S.C. § 102 requires the identical disclosure in a single reference of each element of a claimed invention such that the